

Amendment No. 1 to SB2008

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new part:

68-1-2601. This part shall be known and may be cited as the "Down Syndrome Information Act of 2018."

68-1-2602. As used in this part:

- (1) "Department" means the department of health; and
- (2) "Down syndrome" means a chromosomal condition caused by an error in cell division that results in the presence of an extra whole or partial copy of chromosome 21.

68-1-2603.

(a) The department shall, within existing resources, make available up-to-date, evidence-based information about Down syndrome. The online information must include:

- (1) Information regarding first-call programs;
- (2) Links to organizations providing information and resources related to Down syndrome; and
- (3) Other educational and support programs.

(b) The department may make available this information on the department's website.

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(c) The intent of this section is to make information available to individuals who render prenatal care, postnatal care, or genetic counseling to any person who has received a prenatal or postnatal diagnosis of Down syndrome.

68-1-2604.

(a) A healthcare provider who renders prenatal or postnatal care or a genetic counselor who renders genetic counseling may, upon receipt of a positive test result from a test for Down syndrome, provide the expectant or new parent with the information provided by the department under this part.

(b) Nothing in this section creates a duty of care or other legal obligation beyond the requirements set forth in this section.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it.